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# Statues of Abraham Lincoln

Nicolas Guillemin

Excerpts from newspapers and other  
sources

From the files of the  
Lincoln Financial Foundation Collection





P. O. Box 299  
Freeport, Maine

15 November 1952

Dr. Louis A. Warren  
Editor, Lincoln Lore  
The Lincoln National  
Life Insurance Company  
Fort Wayne, Indiana

Dear Dr. Warren:

I am seeking information regarding an article in my Lincoln collection; viz, a bust, bronze, 14 inches high, of Lincoln by the French sculptor, Nicolas Guillemin.

To date I have done a bit of research and find that Nicolas Guillemin is from Stanislas Lami's Dictionnaire des Sculpteurs de l'Ecole Francaise au Dix-neuvieme Siecle, Paris, 1919. His works include: Christ at the Tomb, 1845; Pliny, 1848 (bust); Denis Papin, 1849 (bust); Last of the Mohigans, 1855; Mlle. M.H.A.C., 1859 (bust); Ceres, 1861 (copy from the antique); Young South American Negress Playing, 1864; Young Negress, 1866.

As you will note by the photograph which I am enclosing, there is no date; it's merely signed "N. Guillemin." You may also note that there is a wreath below the chest which I have theorized might indicate the work was completed just after Lincoln's assassination.

Any information which you might be in a position to give me as to the date of the work and the value, if such has ever been established, would be greatly appreciated.

I receive Lincoln Lore each month and regard it as a fine contribution to Lincolniana.

Very truly yours,

*Ray B. Lydston*

1 Enclosure

Ray Bevis Lydston



November 25, 1952

Mr. Ray Bevis Lydston  
P.O. Box 299  
Freeport, Maine

My dear Mr. Lydston:

I regret exceedingly that we do not find here any information with respect to the Lincoln bust by Guillemin. However, with your permission we will keep the little picture which you enclosed and make some further investigation with respect to it. It does seem to me that I have seen it, at least a copy of it, but cannot seem just now to locate any information in respect to it. We sincerely regret disappointing you.

Very truly yours,

LAW:jaf  
Dr. Louis A. Warren

Director

November 24, 1954

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
U. S. Dept. of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I regret exceedingly that we do not have any more information with respect to the situation in the Philippines. However, in your letter of October 28, 1954, you mentioned that the Philippine government was planning to send a copy of the report to the United States. I have not heard from them yet, but I am sure that they will be able to provide you with the information in respect to the situation in the Philippines.

Very truly yours,

Walter D. White

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover



GUILLEMIN, M. J. A. S.

DANCE, J. L.

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